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SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 19, 1832

FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

HENRY CLAY,

OF KENTUCKY.

Subject to the decision of a National Convention.

FIRE

A fire broke out last night, about 10 o'clock, on Orleans street, below Bourbon, in the establishment occupied by Messrs. Georges and Co., on the premises of J. G. & G. B. Bureau, esq., and adjoining the yellow office, which at its first discovery threatened great destruction. By prompt aid, however, confined to the building which it originated, and some slight damage to the house adjoining. Mr. St. Romes' office escaped with but little injury; and we are happy to be informed that his publication will proceed to day as usual, notwithstanding the confusion which necessarily ensued.

We cannot forbear a tribute to our noble firemen to whom we are indebted for the suppression of the dreadful and when overthrown upon the occasion were hastily lifted again. Unobserved by the humanity of the bell, at the density of the smothering and blinding smoke, these gallant spirits bore aloft their implements of safety, and pushed the submerging flood upon the devouring element, wherever it was fiercest or most threatening. They toiled gayly for twelve hours, and left not the appearance of danger to reproach the fire was evaded. Such courage, hardy and powerful, and say for greater than the triumphant exhibitions displayed in the attacking of a battle.

The fire last night occurring in the immediate neighborhood of our office, in the course of this morning's publication being delayed beyond the usual hour.

FROM MEXICO.

The French brig Theonie arrived here on the night from Vera Cruz, which she left on the 6th inst. She was prohibited by admiral Baudin to bring to this place 100 French passengers. The terms of the war and of the English squadron is, confidently, only the number of which it is composed is single less than was before reported. It consists of seven ships of the line, four frigates, and seven corvettes and brigs.

FROM TEXAS.

By the arrival of the schr. packet Gabriel in 48 hours from Galveston, we have received Houston papers to the 12th inst. inclusive. The Telegraph of the 9th mentions a report that a party of Indians at the Falls of the Brazos, had attacked the house of Mr. Morgan and killed Mrs. Morgan and captured three women, one of whom was his daughter in law. Mr. William Morgan, the son, is likewise missing. The Milam Greens had been ordered to the frontier. The newspaper of the 12th contains the intelligence of a battle from Bexar, on receiving intelligence that the citizens of that place had recently removed from an expedition into the Comanche country, without discovering any one small party of Indians, who fled after a short skirmish. The Lexington and Liberty had likewise returned from their expedition against the Comanches and were preparing for another journey into the country of the latter.

Several boats belonging to Mr. Wm. B. Lapham of Bexar had been stationed on the road between Cibolo and Goliad, and robbed of considerable amount of merchandize.

A disgraceful scrape with a loaded rifle, pistols and bowie knives, had been attempted on the person of Mr. E. H. Brown, a member. The disputing party were Ashbel Smith, surveyor general, and a younger brother who voluntarily demolished Brown in the act of the assault. After examination of the circumstances by the citizens assigned to decide Dr. Smith from the affray.

A resolution has been offered by a special committee appointed to report on the subject, declaring the national arms of Texas to be a white star of five points in an azure ground enclosed by an olive and liquorice branch, and the great national seal shall hereafter bear these emblems together with the words "Republic of Texas," and that the national republican flag shall consist of a blue perpendicular stripe, with a white star of five points in the centre, and of two horizontal stripes of equal breadth, the upper stripe white, the lower red.

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Mr. Morgan.—We learn verbally from a gentleman that at the election held in West Feliciana for a senator, in place of the hon. Joseph Johnston, deceased, Judge Scott, was the successful candidate. He opposed the Mr. Collins. Judge Scott is of the same political school as the late senator. The election, we understand, was not contested on party grounds, nor of the whigs of the district voting for Judge Scott.

SUB-TREASURY INSTRUCTIONS.

The resolutions denouncing the sub-treasury, which passed the senate of North Carolina, have also passed the house of commons by a vote of 59 to 38. The resolutions do not instruct the senators of N. C. to vote against the sub-treasury, but declare the majority of that state, to be opposed to its adoption on principle. It appears that Messrs. Brown and Strange, who misrepresent the views upon that absorbing question availing themselves of the absence, of the planetary chaos in the statehouse, have signified their intention to adhere to their former course, unless the legislature instruct them positively to resist the passage of the sub-treasury bill, in which case, they will either obey or resign. It has ever been the boast of the democratic party, that the expression of the popular voice, correct whatever shape it may do rise with it the force of instruction, and should be binding on the representative. To such an extent was this doctrine pushed by the party, that President Van Buren in a formal speech to congress, spoke slightingly of the decision that precede the meeting of that body in 1838, and claimed for them, the entire weight attached by the party to any indications of the popular mind. Without entering into a discussion of the abstract question of the right of instruction, any resistance at, or attempt to evade the expression of the legislature will, contain with a large grace from a member of the Van Buren party. No state men have ever profited more by a vacated supplement by the popular will than they. They have even scoffed and scoffed at some of the whig senators for not obeying the implied sentiments of the legislature, although no expression of opinion of the legislature had created, or issue between them. They insisted that the representative should, with the keen and exclusive eye of a lynx watch the motions that pass in his constituency and adapt himself to them, with the faithful pertinacity of a cameleon. They have let no opportunity escape of urging instructions to members of congress, when there was a possibility of their being adopted, and one of the causes of the success of the late is, no party is, the zeal and watchful guardianship with which they improve every chance that offers for obtaining votes in congress through the instrumentality of this, as they style it, peculiarly democratic engine. But, times have changed, and the opinion of men has changed with them. They have discovered that the great question is connected of unwholesome drugs and the mandate of sacrilegious Sanhedrin and Strange revolt at the medicine which they have administered to others, with such healing efficacy. They require their noses to be held, and the balsams to be crammed down their throats.

The letter of Messrs Brown and Strange, is but one in a thousand instances of the discrepancy between the professions and the practice of the Van Buren party. Their holy zeal for popular rights, extends no further than is consistent with the interests of their faction. The members that shall disregard pledges against any party schemes or cherished policy, shall be cursed suddenly occupations, and exceedingly nice abuse words. When the legislature declares a projected measure dangerous to the wellbeing of the country, they do not comprehend what they mean. They affect to know if it is understood that they are to vote against this pernicious measure, or if they are to assist in bringing calamity upon the country. The vision of these gentlemen was not wont to be so obscure. They could formerly see into opacity itself, by glancing a demonstration against a political adversary. They now feel the approach of legislative somersaults from afar, and foreboded their disgrace in advance of their coming.

Nor did the party stop here. They contended that it was the duty of the legislature to instruct their senators, when it was thought that their obvious would otherwise compromise the welfare of the state on any measure of importance. It was regarded as a gross desertion of duty not to keep the committee apprised of the opinions of their constituents in such cases. It was contended that any oversight or dereliction of duty in a failing envoy of the faith, and a virtual abandonment of the true principles of "democracy undefiled."

Now, not a single administration press, from the Globe down, has offered to rebuke the sentiments of the North Carolina senators, but they still go forward to hold up as martyrs in the cause of party, and urged to sacrifice themselves upon the altar of democratic and a locomotive enthusiasm.

The course pursued by the legislature of North Carolina is certainly an unfit one only which legislatures could adopt under the circumstances. If there the elective laws of those gentlemen to the repeal of the United States, the state has become enveloped of the error of its former political doctrines, they should be advised of such change. And even if North Carolina Democrat radically changed her politics, but had refused to think that one particular measure of the administration, would, if passed into a law, dangerously affect the best interests of the country, the legislature should give to the administration all the consideration which dwells the collected wisdom of the state.

THE WHIG CONVENTION at Mobile, have nominated James Dellett, Esq. to the of the congressional candidate in the district in w. ich Mr. Hill is situated.—Among other resolutions passed is to to unconditional support from abolitionists, and refusing to acknowledge them as a political party.

Thursday, Jan 17.

Mr. Lewis moved the reconsideration of the bill passed yesterday creating additional notaries public in the Parishes of Assumption and Lafayette. Mr. L. made some remarks explaining his motion.

Mr. Bruns opposed the motion to reconsider, stating that the whole petitions were which in favor of the additional offices creating the bill.

Mr. Maybin hoped the motion to reconsider creating would not be agreed to. He was from one of the petitions against and was not aware of the considerations creating additional offices. He stated some, say 30 or 40 apes, to him from his parish, so that he could not urge adversely.

The motion was put and, whereupon Mr. Morton moved that the committee on the bill creating a notary for the parish of Lafayette be struck out. The motion was lost by a vote of 34 nays, to 30 ayes, and the bill as passed yesterday was sent to the senate for concurrence.

Notice was given by many members of their application at some future day.

Mr. Lewis, chairman of the committee on the judiciary, reported a bill for the relief of the Eagle Insurance Company.

Mr. Dunlap presented a bill relative to the Governor Nicholls Academy, and to incorporate the Spring field Academy.

Mr. Wilson introduced a bill amending the act creating the Parish of Claiborne.

Mr. Phillips introduced a bill to incorporate the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Parish of St. Mary.

Mr. Pattie—A bill creating a municipality in the Parish of Carroll, Ouachita and Claiborne.

Mr. Ralph—A bill creating a municipality in the Parish of St. Tammany.

Mr. Pugh—A bill amending the act incorporating the Catholic Church in the Parish of St. Martin, and granting future, powers to the police jury of said parish.

Mr. Hooker—A bill to amend the act, 1828, and other to the limits of the same.

Mr. Pugh—A bill relative to District Judges.

Mr. Conrad introduced a series of resolutions instructing our senators and requesting our representatives to use their exertions to have certain navigable streams in the western country improved.

After some unimportant resolutions such a good deal of unprofitable debate, Mr. Bruns' resolution, relative to the connection between the way deportment and officials of the U. S., came up as the order of the day.

Mr. Niles occupied several hours in a speech intended to answer the Virginia senator, after which, on motion of Mr. Otis, of Ala., the subject was postponed till the following Tuesday, in order not to interfere with the graduation bill, which was assigned to Monday.

In the House.—A discussion of more length and little interest took place, as to whether Mr. George Snare, late postmaster from Wappinger, was entitled to an payment of mileage and per diem allowance up to the period when his successor had decided to have the commissioner's bond to the contested seat. After several explanations, and a letter from Mr. Rives, stating the circumstances of the case, the house determined that it should receive his pay.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Clarke, of Ky. and the rules being suspended by a vote of 135 to 37, was adopted, with two trifling amendments:

Resolved, That the secretary of war be directed to communicate to this house a statement of the first settlement of the accounts of Lewis Case, late Superintendent of Indian Affairs, of the annual salary of said superintendency, and of any extra compensation, commission, or other allowance, either paid or allowed to him at the January term, 1832.

Mr. Lyon, of Ky. introduced the following resolution, which was laid on the table:

Resolved, That the secretary of the treasury be directed to report to this house the amount of duties received in the state of Virginia and Maryland.

Mr. W. Cost Johnson, of Md. moved that the petition presented to be laid upon the table with the motion was withdrawn by Mr. Ashmun.

Mr. Adams rose and denied that the yeas and nays upon the motion to lay upon the table, which were ordered, had been taken upon that point, and the motion to withdraw the petition was carried.

Mr. Adams, also presented a memorial, which caused much excitement in the house, praying for several special acts of incorporation for the purpose of their attending to the distribution of the surplus which said "that all men were born free and equal," and objected to the appointment by the president of the office of commissioner on coins, who, they conceive, did participate in the legislative power of the legislature, for the purpose of preparing the bills for the consideration of congress, which was in direct violation of the letter of the constitution.

Mr. Clay of Alabama, said the fervor of extending still further the privileges. Mr. Clay of Kentucky thought the committee had either gone beyond or not fulfilled their instruction. The object of the house in making instructions was to limit the benefits conferred by the bill to actual settlers. But the amendment reported by the committee, made the instruction carry the quantity of land to be entered by them. The question was upon the instruction.

Mr. Walker, as chairman of the committee on public lands, defended the action of the committee. Mr. Lumis of Indiana made a long and able speech in regard to the merits of the bill, and the debate was then cut off by Messrs. Bouldin and Walker. Mr. Coleman was the floor for the 9th.

House.—Petitions, &c. What presented a petition from the state of Massachusetts signed by one man and one woman, praying for the repeal of Mr. Atherton's resolutions. Mr. [illegible] reference of the petition by the committee of the whole with instructions to report Mr. A.'s resolutions fund to adopt another resolution, which shall not admit of laying abolitionist petitions on the table. The petition and resolution lie over for another occasion.

Mr. Adams presented a budget of abolition petitions, talking about them as much as was prevalent by the strongest relation